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U.S. Patent No. 3,790,440 (Keshishian)

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European Publication No. EP 0 559 202 A, published September 8, 1993

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Japanese Publication No. JP 63 318063 A, published December 26, 1988

Japanese Publication No. JP 02 284398 A, published November 21, 1990

Japanese Publication No. JP 05 325854 A, published December 10, 1993

Japanese Publication No. JP 08 188459 A, published July 23, 1996

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